



Office of the Governor

August 2, 2004

Questar Corporation
180 East 100 South
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Attn: Keith Rattie
Chairman of the Board

RE: Questar Winter Drilling Proposal

Dear Mr. Rattie:

Thank you for your diligent efforts to coordinate with the various agencies involved in the review of your proposal.

Attached is a copy of the letter sent to Prill Mechem, Bureau of Land Management, in response to the Questar Exploration and Production year-round drilling proposal scoping notice.

As I am sure you and your staff are aware, there are many questions and views about the need for, and applicability of, your proposal. However, from my point of view, this is a great step toward defining responsible development and adaptive management in Wyoming.

My greatest concern comes in managing the balance between protecting Wyoming's interests and allowing flexibility in the implementation of an innovative proposal. I believe that we can jointly work out the problems that may arise and to that end, the State of Wyoming has accepted the Bureau of Land Management's offer to participate as a cooperating agency during its environmental analysis.

I appreciate your previous identification of social needs in the communities in which you operate and your allocation of a portion of your net profits to community programs and projects. In recognition of your most recent proposal, I would encourage Questar to consider increasing its community leadership and philanthropic giving to the affected communities in Wyoming.

Thank you for the professional approach you, your staff and your company are taking to reduce or eliminate impacts while working toward your company's interest.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dave Freudenthal", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Dave Freudenthal
Governor

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